House Resolution No. 1605

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Whitney Doran has been honored and commended by the Pershing Middle School and Glendale High School, in Springfield, Missouri, for efforts in maintaining an anti-bullying atmosphere at school; and

Whereas, the work done by Whitney Doran for bullying awareness and education will stand as an inspiration to other students for years to come; and

Whereas, the support offered by Whitney Doran to students who have been bullied shall set a precedent for the future peer mediators in the Springfield Public Schools; and

Whereas, bullying includes hitting, name-calling, threats, social exclusion, intimidation, sexual harassment, and other forms of offenses; and

Whereas, the effects of bullying include emotional anguish, absence from school, loss of concentration, physical illness and injury, long-term mental distress, and social problems, just to name of the potential deleterious results; and

Whereas, bullying is one of the most harmful and overlooked problems in schools in the United States today:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our gratitude to Whitney Doran for contributing to the creation and maintenance of an anti-bullying atmosphere for all students to enjoy; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Whitney Doran.

Offered by _____
Representative Sara Lampe
District No. 138

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1605, adopted March 29, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker